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SART Information and Training

The Semi-Annual Reporting Tool is now open for this spring's Semi-Annual Reporting period! The reporting system opened April 1st for web-based entry, and reports are due on Wednesday, April 30th.

All local level ADRCs in Part B states that operated for any part of the last six months should complete a report. If you have any questions about reporting requirements for your program, please contact your state's project director or write to us at adrc-tae@lewin.com.

The TAE will offer two training opportunities for individuals who will be completing the semi-annual report. This training will be offered twice during April but individuals only need to attend one. We will post a recording of the training following the first session. The training is highly recommended for individuals who have never used the SART before. The trainings are scheduled for:

- **Thursday, April 10th**
  - 2:30-4:00 PM Eastern
  - Webinar Registration, Password: ADRC
  - Call-in #:1-763-957-6300
  - Participant code: 318 410 597
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We look forward to hearing from you about the progress you've made and the lives you've touched over the last six months. Part A States will receive separate reporting instructions soon.

New Resources

[Fair Labor and Standards Act (FLSA) Shared Living Arrangements Guidance](#) was created by the DOL to assist stakeholders in determining whether an entity paying a direct care worker through a shared living arrangement is required to comply with the FLSA's minimum wage and overtime requirements. The guidance also describes how certain FLSA principles apply to shared living arrangements.

[Adverse Events in Skilled Nursing Facilities: National Incidence Among Medicare Beneficiaries](#) is a new report from the Office of the Inspector General. It found that one third of skilled nursing home residents are being harmed, and in some cases, even dying, as a result of adverse or temporary harm events. These include falls, infections, and pressure ulcers, among others.

[Financial Steps for Caregivers What You Need to Know About Protecting Your Money and Retirement](#) is a new resource from the Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement. This guide addresses caregiver financial security. The publication offers tips on budgeting, saving for retirement, personal care agreements, identifying financial fraud and abuse, sources of financial help for the caregiver and the care recipient, end-of-life planning, and more.

Upcoming Events

1) Training in Disability-Competent Care and Supports Series-

Webinar 8: Integrating Behavioral Health Competency within Disability-Competent Care Teams and Individualized Plans of Care

The CMS Medicare-Medicaid Coordination Office is facilitating this series. Webinar 8 will focus on the prevalence and importance of addressing participant behavioral health needs and discuss strategies to facilitate timely communication and collaboration between behavioral health providers and disability-competent care teams.

   *Tuesday, April 8, 2:00-3:00 PM ET

   *[Register in Advance](#)

   *[Webinar Series Home](#)

2) Preventing Crimes against Seniors Virtual Conference

The National Crime Prevention Council and the Bureau of Justice Assistance are sponsoring a virtual conference with information to help law enforcement, crime prevention organizations, victim

service providers, and others recognize and respond to elder abuse and fraud against seniors.

*Thursday, April 10, 9:00 AM-4:30 PM ET
*[More Information and Registration](#)

3) SART Trainings
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4) NYLN Independent Living Curriculums - Introduction Webinar
The National Youth Leadership Network (NYLN) is proud to announce two new curriculums created with independent living in mind. These collections of training tools were made to educate activists who are new to the community. The training materials focus on a variety of independent living priorities, such as employment, transportation, self-determination, and goal-setting.

*Thursday, April 10, 7:00-8:00 PM ET
*[Register in Advance](#)

5) Reducing Hospital Readmissions through Collaboration with Community Partners
Leaders from some of CMS' federal initiatives, including the Partnership for Patients, will discuss how the objectives of federal programs such as Hospital Engagement Networks, Community-based Care Transitions Programs, Quality Improvement Organizations and the Administration for Community Living are aligned. Through collaboration with these initiatives, hospitals have seen reductions in 30-day readmissions through effective care transition models. This program is offered as part of the federal Partnership for Patients Initiative. CEUs are available.

*Thursday, April 17, 12:30-1:30 PM ET
*[Register in Advance](#)

TAE Tip of the Week:

Need access to the Semi-Annual Reporting Tool? If you haven't already, register

for the ADRC-TAE Website on the [Registration Page](). Make sure to select your state and only the grants you are involved with to ensure quick approval of your access.

Contact us anytime at [adrc-tae@lewin.com]() for website support.